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C O N F I D E N T I A L PRETORIA 4686

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINS, SHUM, SF
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR USG ASSISTANCE TO SAVE "GOCH STREET
TERRORIST"

REF: PRETORIA 4506, 4243

1. DCM INFORMALLY AND UNOFFICIALLY DISCUSSED
MAHLANGU CASE WITH DFA DEPUTY SECRETARY VAN DALSEN
AUGUST 10 ALONG THE LINES OF PARA 5, REFTEL. VAN DALSEN,
WHO HAD SOME FAMILIARITY WITH THE CASE, WAS NOT RECEPTIVE.
HE PHONED THE NEXT DAY TO SAY HE HAD LOOKED FURTHER INTO
THE CASE AND FOUND THAT THE REASON MAHLANGU DID NOT DO
ANY OF THE SHOOTING WAS THAT HIS AUTOMATIC WEAPON HAD JAMMED.

2. AS SUGGESTED REFTEL, DOUBT OUR RAISING OF MAHLANGU
CASE WILL PRODUCE ANY RESULTS. IF MAHLANGU'S LEGAL
COUNSEL STIMULATES APPROACHES BY OTHERS AS WELL AND IF
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SUCH APPROACHES DO NOT BECOME PUBLIC, IT IS CONCEIVABLE
THE COMMULATIVE EFFECT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL.
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